

generating a band-pixel value in an updated object-area image and each of band-pixel values in an updated digital image by separating the band-pixel values in the object-area image and each of the band-pixel value in the digital image; means for converting a transfer value derived from the updated object-area image to a band-pixel value in a transfer-value image by operating imagery of position; means for generating a band-pixel value in a transferable image according to a redundant number at a transfer position directed by the pixel-band value in the transfer-value image; means for transferring the band-pixel value in the updated object-area image to a transfer position according to judgement in the transferable image; means for transferring the band-pixel value in the updated digital image as the band-pixel value in the updated object-area image was transferred; means for complementing the band-pixel value in the updated object-area image not included in the object areas with the average of neighbor band-pixel values within the object-areas; means for complementing each of the band-pixel values in the updated digital image as the band-pixel value in the updated object-area image was complemented; and means for outputting each of band-pixel values in a normalized image generated after complementing the updated digital image. In short, this is the enforcement form of an algorithm for realizing a function generating the normalized image, which is offered by the array operation units, by using digital technology. After

the array operation units were arranged in the shape of a
lattice, followed by connecting the neighbor array operation
units each to each, and by initializing each parameter in the
array operation units, the present invention inputs the
object-area image and the digital image every pixel if
necessary, and carries out a sequence of processes from
separating the object-area image and the digital image to
outputting each band-pixel value in the normalized image, one
by one. The present invention repeats a sequence of these
processes until the object-area image and the digital image
comes not to be inputted. Since the present invention can use
a general processor, the parameter can be corrected easily.
Note that the array operation units does not always have to
carry out waiting for receiving some neighbor pixels in each
type of the images exactly, which are sent from the neighbor
array operation units. Because the array operation units
waiting for receiving can use a pixel value equivalent to zero
instead of the band-pixel values in each type of the images,
which can not be received from the neighbor array operation
units. Although a pixel in each type of the images generated
by the array operation units may have a little noise in this
case, each means in the present invention absorbs almost all
of the noise. Border processing and time-out processing are
realized simultaneously and easily by the means for
superseding by this band-pixel value equivalent to zero.--

Page 39, delete the second paragraph and insert therefor
the following new paragraph:

--Suppose that the image vibration means 13 inputs the digital image 111 from the image memorization means 12. The image vibration means 13 transfer the whole digital image 111 or the digital image 111 every one pixel as a still object 3 moves the distance between about three pixel in the digital image 111. If the image vibration means 13 can output all pixels of the digital image 111 in parallel, communication from the image vibration means 13 to the edge-information generation means 14 can carry out in parallel every one pixel.--

Page 88, delete the second paragraph and insert therefor
the following new paragraph:

--At step 1708, AOU_{ij} judges whether the transfer times representing the repeat times from step 1706 to step 1707 achieve the directed times or not. If the transfer times do not achieve the directed times (step 1708: NO), this algorithm returns to step 1706. If the transfer times achieve the directed times (step 1708: YES), this algorithm goes to step 1709. Note that the directed times are derived by the size of the rough edge-information image 113, the size of the object represented by the rough edge information 112, and the number of neighbors q. In a case that some parameters are set to specific numbers corresponding to the aim of use, there is no

problem even though the directed times are set to more than the necessary times. If the directed times are too much, however, AOU_{ij} takes much time to detect the position and the size of the object.--

Page 91, delete the second and third paragraphs and insert the following paragraphs therefor:

--At step 2705, AOU_{ij} separates the pixel on the column i and the row j of the object-area image 142 and the pixel on the column i and the row j of the digital image 111. This is done for AOU_{ij} to process the pixel on the column i and the row j of the object-area image 142 and the pixel on the column i and the row j of the digital image 111 as two pixel of independent images, respectively. If the pixel on the column i and the row j of the object-area image 142 and the pixel on the column i and the row j of the digital image 111 are beforehand separated and are then inputed, AOU_{ij} carries out nothing. The object-area image 142 and the digital image 111 are copied to the updated object-area image and the updated digital image, respectively.

At step 2706, for each band-pixel value of the updated object-area, AOU_{ij} calculates a transfer value, according to the function $R_{ij1}(x)$, by communicating with neighbor array operation units 40. The band-pixel value representing the transfer value regards as a band-pixel value of a transfer-value image.--

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Pages 91 and 92, delete the paragraph bridging such pages and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--At step 2707, for each band-pixel value of the updated object-area image, AOU_{ij} can find a transfer-place band-pixel value possible to transfer according to the function $H_{ijk}(X,y)$, by communicating with neighbor array operation units 40. The value representing whether the transfer-place band-pixel value is a transfer place possible to transfer or not regards as a band-pixel value of a transferable image.--

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Page 92, delete the second and third paragraphs and insert the following paragraphs therefor:

--At step 2708, for each band-pixel value of the updated object-area image, AOU_{ij} transfers it to the transfer place according to the function $U_{ijk}(X,y)$, by communicating with neighbor array operation units 40. The transferred band-pixel value regards as a band-pixel value of a new updated object-area image.

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At step 2709, for each band-pixel value of updated digital image, AOU_{ij} transfers it to the transfer place according to the function $U_{ijk}(X,y)$, by communicating with neighbor array operation units 40. The transferred band-pixel value regards as a band-pixel value of a new updated digital image.--

Pages 92 and 93, delete the paragraph bridging such pages

and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--At step 2711, for each band-pixel value of the updated object-area image which has been finished transferring, AOU_{ij} , complements it with the average of its neighbors according to the function $V_{ijk}(x,y)$, by communicating with neighbor array operation units 40. Note that both x and y are dealt as the updated object-area image. The complemented band-pixel value regards as a band-pixel value of a normalized updated object-area image.--

Page 93, delete the second full paragraph and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--At step 2712, for each band-pixel value of the updated digital image which has been finished transferring, AOU_{ij} , complements it with the average of its neighbors according to the function $V_{ijk}(x,y)$, by communicating with neighbor array operation units 40. Note that x is dealt as the updated digital image, and y is dealt as the updated object-area image. The transferred band-pixel value regards as a band-pixel value of a normalized updated digital image.--

Page 94, delete the second full paragraph and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--At step 2715, AOU_{ij} outputs a band-pixel value of the updated digital image as a band-pixel value of the normalized image 145. This algorithm then returns to step 2703.--